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Dear Friends:

It is our pleasure to invite federal, state, and local buying agencies, prime contractor's, and all Oregon businesses to participate in the largest government contracting forum in Oregon. This one-day program, ***Oregon Business Opportunities 2003, Marketing to Government Forum***, cosponsored by the Government Contract Assistance Program (GCAP) and The Portland Business Alliance (PBA) will be held at the Oregon Convention Center in Portland, Oregon on July 2, 2003.

While Oregon continues to have one of the highest levels of unemployment in the nation, our businesses and workers are poised and ready to lead our state to economic recovery. This conference will provide government agencies and prime contractors an unprecedented opportunity to meet and network with Oregon businesses, particularly the small businesses that make up the backbone of our economy.

The Government Contract Assistance Program and Portland Business Alliance are working hard to assemble the most comprehensive one-day agency networking forum in the State of Oregon. In order for this program to be successful they need your participation.

If you have questions regarding participation or sponsorship please visit the GCAP website at <http://www.gcap.org>, or call Jan Hurt, Dee Edwards or Dawn Reske with GCAP at 800-497-7551 or 541-736-1088. Thank you for your interest and participation. We look forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely,



Senator Gordon H. Smith



Senator Ron Wyden